

are directly related to the stated activity purposes and objectives; and

(2) The time commitment of key personnel is realistic.

(g) *Budget.* (5 points). The Secretary reviews each application to determine whether the project has an adequate budget and is cost effective, including information that shows that—

(1) The budget for the project is adequate to support the project activities; and

(2) The costs are necessary and reasonable in relation to the project objectives and scope.

(h) *Institutional commitment.* (10 points). The Secretary reviews each application to determine the extent to which the application demonstrates a financial commitment on the part of the applicant and the local governments associated with its application, including the nature and amount of the matching contribution, and other institutional commitments from the applicant and other entities associated with the project, that are likely to assure the continuation of project activities for a significant time beyond the grant project period.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1136b, 1136e)

**§ 636.22 What additional factors does the Secretary consider?**

(a) The Secretary awards grants in a manner that achieves an equitable geographic distribution of grants.

(b) No institution, individually or as a participant in a consortium of institutions, may receive an Urban Community Service Program grant for more than five years.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1136e)

**§ 636.23 What priorities does the Secretary establish?**

In awarding grants, the Secretary gives an absolute preference to applicants that propose to conduct joint projects supported by other local, State, and Federal programs.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1136b)

**Subpart D—How Does the Secretary Designate Urban Grant Institutions and Establish an Urban Grant Institutions Network?**

**§ 636.30 How does the Secretary designate urban grant institutions?**

(a) The Secretary identifies and designates the eligible institutions described in § 636.2 as urban grant institutions.

(b) The Secretary publishes a list of urban grant institutions in a notice published in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1136f)

**§ 636.31 How does the Secretary establish a network of urban grant institutions?**

(a) The Secretary establishes a network of urban grant institutions consisting of the urban grant institutions designated in § 636.30.

(b) The Secretary invites institutions in the network of urban grant institutions to disseminate results and other information on individual projects that can be generalized, replicated, and applied throughout the Nation.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1136f)

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